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**CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Contracting Officer's
Determinations and Findings**

AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT

The Central Intelligence Agency proposes to enter into a contract with the Marquardt Aircraft Company, Van Nuys, California, for the procurement of tests of various high energy fuels at combustion levels lower than the current "state-of-the-art" in a ramjet engine and investigation of non-metallics as ramjet engine structural materials.

I hereby find that this procurement, Project CHAMPION, is estimated to cost \$97,917.00 and is chargeable in Fiscal Year 1959 to Navy Department funds and is for the work described above. I also find that this procurement is in the interest of National Defense and that it will be certified by the Director of Central Intelligence in accordance with procedure approved by the DCI on 15 December 1956, to be for objects of a confidential, extraordinary and emergency nature and therefore within the purview of procurement authority of the Agency as stated in Section 10(b) of Public Law 110, 81st Congress. Procurement by formal advertising of the services called for by the proposed Contract No. EE-600 would result in public disclosure of the nature and character of the engine and its intended operational environment and would thereby jeopardize the security of this project.

I hereby determine, as Contracting Officer for this contract, that the necessity and authority for negotiation of this contract have been adequately documented by proper Agency authority, and that the proposed contract must necessarily be negotiated without formal advertising.

[Redacted Signature Box]

Contracting Officer, DPS

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